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1. THE CONSUL GENERAL MET WITH MFA CONSULAR DEPARTMENT 4TH DIVISION CHIEF FAN ZHENGSHUE ON JULY 13 IN AN ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH THE MOST EFFICIENT WAY TO REQUEST CONSULAR ACCESS TO PETER H. WU AND TO SPECIFICALLY REQUEST THAT EMBOFF TRAVELLING TO WUHAN J.ULY 16-19 BE ALLOWED TO VISIT HIM.

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FAN REPLIED THAT REQUESTS COULD ALWAYS BE MADE EITHER TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY OR DIRECTLY TO THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY, IN THE PRESENT CASE, THE WUHAN PUBLIC SECURITY BUREAU. WHEN PRESSED FOR THE MOST

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EFFECTIVE APPROACH, FAN RECCIMENDED WE GO L'IRECTLY 10 THE PUBLIC SECURITY BUREAU WHICH WOULD MAKE THE DECISION AND GIVE US A DIRECT REPLY.

- 3. AS FOR THE POSSIBLE VISIT OF EMBOFF NEXT WEEK, HE SAID HE WOULD CONVEY OUR REQUEST TO THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY. HE DID MAKE A POINT OF ASKING THE NAME, RANK, AND POSITION OF THE OFFICER-AND THE ORIGINAL PURPOSE OF THE TRIP.
- 4. CONSUL GENERAL SPOKE WITH CHING LEE, MR. WU'S WIFE, ON THE EVENING OF JULY 12 AND GAVE HER A COMPLETE ACCOUNT OF HIS VISIT. HE ALSO CLARIFIED CERTAIN ASPECTS OF THE CHINESE LEGAL PROCESS, TO THE EXTENT THAT WE UNDERSTAND IT, IN ANSWER TO HER QUESTIONS. SHE EXPRESSED HER APPRECIATION FOR THE EFFORTS OF THE EMBASSY ON HER HUSBAND'S BEHALF.

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